I whole-heartedly oppose the use of cell phones on airplanes. I travel frequently & use the quiet time on board to catch up on my reading. It's bad enough when you have to sit next to a screaming child or someone who chatters non-stop. To have to listen to numerous telephone conversations in such cramped quarters would make for a miserable trip. I use a cell phone & will make my calls when I land & disembark the plane in the terminal. Some people don't understand that common courtesy is to take their phone conversations (unless it is a quick answer) away from those around them. Lowering one's voice to keep a conversation within the "boundaries" of the conversants seems to be a lost polite gesture.